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John R. Lumpkin, M.D., Director

August 24, 1992

The Honorable Paul Simon U. S. Senator 230 South Dearborn (3892) Chicago, IL 60604

Attn: Luis Castro

Dear Senator Simon:

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From: Romana Capally

Your letter of August 5, 1992 to Joe O'Conner of our West Chicago office was referred to me for response. The situation to which your letter refers has been investigated by three state agencies (Illinois Department of Public Health, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, and Illinois Attorney General's office) as well as two federal agencies (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry). Based on the information thus far developed, we find little or no evidence which suggests that a toxicological hazard to public health exists in either the short- or long-term. It is our understanding that both the IEPA and USEPA are continuing to investigate this site and we will continue to offer them our assistance in whatever capacity they require. Any new data submitted to us will be evaluated for its potential effect on the public health and welfare.

I trust this information addresses your current needs. Please contact me at 217/782-5830 if you require further information.

> Thomas F. Long Benior Toxicologist

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